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IN accordance with a resolution of the *Synod of the German Reformed Church, of Pennsylvania, and adjacent States*, held at Mechanicsburg, Cumberland county, Pennsylvania, in September, 1832, the members of this Synod convened in Shaferstown, on the first Sabbath in September, 1833.

On the Saturday evening previous, the Revd. D. Hassinger delivered a discourse, in the German Reformed Church, from Acts 4, 23, after which, the farther preparatory services, to the administration of the Lord's Supper, were attended to.

On Sabbath morning, the Revd. J. C. Guldin, President of the Synod, delivered a very impressive Synodical Sermon, from 1 Cor. 10, 17, and the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was dispensed to the members of the Synod, by the Revd. F. L. Herman, senior Minister of the Synod, and the Revd. T. H. Leinbach, Pastor Loci, in the presence of a very crowded and attentive assembly. At the same hour, the Revd. A. L. Herman, Sec. of Synod, delivered a sermon, in the Lutheran Church, from Matthew 22, 9.

In the afternoon the Revd. H. Bibighaus preached in the German Reformed Church, from Acts 19, 20, and the Revd. John S. Ebaugh delivered a discourse, in the Lutheran Church, in the English language, from Ezek. 33, 11.

On Sabbath evening, the Rev. F. E. von der Sloot addressed the congregation from Philip 2, 5, and the Revd. G. Miller delivered a discourse in the Lutheran Church, in the English language, from Matt. 28, 19, 20.

On Monday morning, at 9 o'clock, the members of Synod, together with their Delegates, met agreeably to appointment, in the German Reformed Church, where the Session was opened by the Revd. John C. Guldin, President, with singing and prayer. 132948

The Synod was now regularly organized. The following *ministers* and *deputies* from congregations being present, viz :

Revd. F. L. Herman,	Deputy, Mr. Henry Spicz.
Revd. C. G. Herman,	do. Mr. Jacob Breil.
Revd. J. C. Guldin,	do. Mr. Conrad Shearer.
Revd. J. S. Dubbs,	do. Mr. John Guth.
Revd. H. Bibighaus.	
Revd. T. H. Leinbach,	do. Mr. Henry Pickens, Henry Huebschman, Jacob Macsz, Jacob Swope and A. Steger.
Revd. A. L. Herman,	do. Mr. Daniel Kerling and S. Leinbach.
Revd. Daniel Tobias.	
Revd. A. Berkey.	
Revd. C. W. Shults.	
Revd. F. E. Van der Sloot,	do. Mr. Frederick Hoke.
Revd. J. S. Ebaugh,	do. Mr. J. P. Helfenstein.
Revd. L. C. Herman,	do. Mr. Jacob Breil.
Revd. G. Miller.	
Revd. D. Hassinger,	do. Mr. Daniel Klapp.
Revd. C. Weinbrenner,	do. Mr. Jacob Nicodemous.

Revd. Domino de Quenaudon. Together 17.

Absentees were as follows :

Revd. J. Stiehly, J. Althaus, R. T. Herman, A. Shafer, S. Seibert, F. W. von der Sloot, R. L. Porter, G. E. Eppert, G. Riemensneider, J. J. Riemensneider, C. L. G. Daubert, G. Mills and J. Carter—together 13.

2. The Synod now proceeded to an election for officers, when the Revd. F. L. Herman, senior member of Synod, was nominated for President, but after stating to the Synod, in a very respectful and feeling manner, that he had been honored with this important station, for many years in succession, whilst this Revd. Body had been exposed to the most wanton and unprovoked attacks of slander, and persecutions from various sources, until he had now the pleasure of seeing the members of it still united together in the bonds of Christian love, respectable and respected by sister Synods of various denominations of Christians, and at peace with all, and

that he wished therefore, to be permitted to withdraw his name from the nomination, and to enjoy himself as a private member of Synod for the future, which request was affectionately acceded to, and the following persons were duly elected to the different offices, viz :

Revd. H. Bibighaus, President ; Revd. John S. Ebaugh, Recording Secretary ; Revd. J. S. Dubbs, Corresponding Secretary, and George Kemp, Esq. Treasurer.

3. On motion it was resolved, That the Revd. William Baetis and Engelberth Piexoto, members of the East Pennsylvania Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, be received as advisory members of this Synod.

4. *Resolved*, That the Revd. F. L. Herman be, and is hereby appointed, to keep the archives of this Synod, and that all documents and papers belonging to this Ecclesiastical Body, be put into his possession.

5. The Constitution of the Synod was now publicly read.

6. The members of the Synod made report of their ministerial labours, and of the state of religion in their respective stations.

7. *Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to ordain the Revd. L. C. Herman this evening. Whereupon the Revd. J. S. Dubbs, Cor. Sec. of Synod, was appointed to deliver the Ordination sermon, and the Revd. H. Bibighaus, Prest., the Revd. J. S. Ebaugh, Rec. Sec. and the Revd. T. H. Leinbach, were constituted the Ordaining Committee.

8. *Resolved*, That the Synod now adjourn until two o'clock this afternoon.

Concluded with singing and prayer.

SECOND SESSION, Monday, 2 o'clock, P. M.

The second session was opened with divine services.

1. The proceedings of the last Synod were read.

2. *Resolved*, That a Committee consisting of the Revds. J. C. Guldin, A. L. Herman, D. S. Tobias, and the delegate Mr. F. Hoke, be appointed to make report on the state of religion within the bounds of this Synod.

3. *Resolved*, That the Revds. Thomas H. Leinbach, C. W. Shults, and F. E. von der Sloot, together with

John P. Helfenstein, Esq. be appointed a Committee on Correspondence.

4. *Resolved*, That the Revds. A. Berkey, C. G. Herman, and Mr. Samuel Leinbach, be appointed a Committee, whose duty it shall be to examine the Diaries of the candidates of Theology, and make report to this Synod.

5. *Resolved*, That a Committee of three be appointed to examine into, and report on the state of the Treasury ; and that Revds. C. G. Herman and J. S. Dubbs, together with Mr. J. Guth, be said Committee.

6. *Resolved*, That the Revds. F. L. Herman, J. S. Dubbs and G. Miller, be constituted a Committee to examine and report upon the proceedings received from sister Synods.

7. An apology was received in Synod, from the Revd. Reuben Herman, by his Revd. brother A. L. Herman, for absence from the meeting of Synod, which was unanimously accepted.

8. *Resolved*, That the Revds. F. L. Herman, C. G. Herman, and Mr. H. Spiesz, be a Committee to report upon a communication received from Mr. H. Dryer, of York, Penn

9. The Revd. J. C. Guldin reported to Synod, that he had discharged the duty assigned him by last Synod, in forwarding a candidate's licence to the Rev. Joseph Carter, of the City of New York.

10. The Revd. A. L. Herman, reported that he had, in compliance with a Resolution of Synod, sent the Minutes of the Synod to the other Ecclesiastical Bodies, which stand in a friendly connexion with us.

11. Reports of a very encouraging nature were received from several members of this Synod, of the rapid progress, which is being made, in the bounds of this Synod in the cause of temperance.

12. *Resolved*, That the licence of the Revd. C. Weinbrenner be renewed for one year, and that, in consequence of sickness in his family, he have leave of absence to-morrow morning.

13. The Synod now adjourned until Tuesday morning. Concluded with thanksgivings and praises to the God of all grace and consolation.

THIRD SESSION, Tuesday morning, opened with devotional exercises.

1. The committee appointed to ordain the Revd. L. C. Herman, reported that the Revd. J. S. Dubbs, delivered a very appropriate discourse, from Heb. 10, 39, after which the Committee proceeded to solemnly set apart, dedicate and ordain said Revd. L. C. Herman, with the laying on of hands, to the gospel ministry, in the presence of a large and attentive audience.

2. The Committee on the state of religion reported as follows : “ We the Committee appointed by Synod to report on the state of religion, rejoice in being able to report, that Christianity, in the congregations in connexion with this Synod, is generally progressing. We are happy to learn, from the verbal reports of both the clerical and lay members of Synod, as also from written statements from the congregations, that the members belonging to this Revd. Body, are efficient in the discharge of the duties of their office, and that the numbers of the members of their respective congregations are not only rapidly increasing, but also, that an encouraging increase of piety and zeal is becoming more general. Several new congregations have been collected, and others are about being organized. But more especially do we learn from these reports, that the ministers of this Synod evince more than usual zeal in the advancement of the cause of true religion in their congregations, and that a number of the brethren belonging to this connexion, (notwithstanding the powerful obstacles and prejudices with which they have had to contend.) have bent their efforts to the destruction of the evil of intemperance, which is certainly one of the greatest evils in the human family ; although they did not adopt any coercive measures, in relation to this subject, or wish that others should be laid under any compulsion, yet they labour to rescue their fellow creatures from the grasp of a tyrant, to whose insatiable desires, millions of souls have already fallen a sacrifice :—they labour by means of religion and true piety, to bring those flocks entrusted to their care, to the enjoyment of the true liberty of the children of God. Being fully convinced, that as long as a man is engaged in the service of sin, in any shape, he is a slave, they seek by word and example to convince their flocks.

that true liberty is only to be found, where the spirit of God is."

Signed, John C. Guldin, D. S. Tobias, A. L. Herman and F. Hoke.

2. This report was unanimously adopted.

3. The Committee on Correspondence made the following report: We the undersigned Committee on Correspondence, beg leave to report: That we have received a very friendly communication from our Revd. brother J. Althaus, containing an apology for his absence from Synod, together with testimonials of a very satisfactory nature, signed by many of the members of his pastoral charge, in relation to his good standing and usefulness among the people composing his station, and expressing much regret that the great distance rendered it inconvenient for him to attend the meeting of Synod this year, and praying to be excused. The communication contains, moreover, his statistical report for the past year, together with \$5, to be applied to the defraying the expences of printing the Minutes of Synod.

4. On motion it was unanimously resolved, that the donation of brother Althaus be received with gratitude, and that his apology be accepted.

2. Is a communication from Revd. brother Stiehly, who informs us that in consequence of sickness, he is deprived of the pleasure of attending the present Session of Synod, and desiring to be excused. He has also enclosed a statistical report of his labours during the past year.

5. *Resolved*, That brother Stiehley's apology be accepted.

3. Several letters from Revd. C. L. Daubert, in which he expresses much regret, that in consequence of obstacles which have presented themselves to him, he is unable to be present at this Session of the Synod, and hence requests the Synod to accept of this as his excuse. He further wishes the Synod to renew his licence for another year, so that he may be able, as a minister in connexion with this Synod, to perform all actus Ministerialis, in congregations near Pittsburg, Penn. The Committee are, however, of the opinion that they are not sufficiently well acquainted with the proceedings of the Revd. Mr.

Daubert, since our last meeting of Synod, to recommend to Synod the propriety of licencing him at present ; but would suggest to Synod the propriety of instructing the Corresponding Secretary of Synod, to request brother Daubert to communicate more direct information of his ministerial transactions for the past year, and his prospects at present, and that in case he renders satisfaction on these subjects, the President of the Synod be instructed to grant him said licence forthwith.

6. After much had been said pro and con, on the subject of this recommendation of the Committee, it was finally resolved that it be rejected, and that the licence of brother Daubert be forthwith renewed.

4. Is a letter from our worthy young brother, the Revd. J. J. Riemensneider, on which the committee make the following remarks : "Your committee, in perusing the communication of brother Riemensneider, are pleased to find, that his labours have been blessed to the church of Christ, in the neighborhood in which he resides; but they regret to find that his health is very much impaired, so that he has been compelled to relinquish his pastoral charge, until his health is restored. He moreover requests this Revd. Body, to remember him at the Throne of Grace, that the Lord may remember him in his infinite mercy, and if consistent with his holy will, restore him to his usual health and strength again, so that he may be permitted to call sinners to repentance, or should the Lord have otherwise ordained, that he may grant him grace to continue faithful in his submission, and trust in his overruling Providence until death.

Your Committee would therefore affectionately recommend to Synod to accede to the wishes of our dear young brother, in remembering him at the Throne of Grace, and in renewing his licence for one year.

Signed, Thos. H. Leinbach, C. W. Shults, John P. Helfenstein and F. E. von der Sloot.

7. *Resolved*, That the report of this Committee in relation to Revd. brother Riemensneider be adopted, and that special supplication and prayer be offered in his behalf, at the close of the session, and that his licence be renewed for one year.

8. The committee appointed to examine the diaries

of the candidates of Theology in connexion with this Synod, beg leave to report, that they have been unable to discharge the duty assigned to them, in consequence of the neglect of said candidates to bring their diaries with them to Synod. Upon this report it was resolved by Synod, that a prompt compliance with the requisition of Synod, on this subject, will be exacted for the future.

9. The Committee appointed by Synod to examine the Minutes of those Revd. Synods, which stand in a friendly correspondence with us, beg leave to report :—

1. That in examining the proceedings of the German Reformed Synod, of Ohio, we find a resolution contained in them, instructing the Secretary to transmit fifteen copies of their minutes to this Synod. Your Committee also find that the Revd. C. W. Shults, a member of this Synod, when in Ohio, had given a pledge to undertake a mission within the bounds of that Synod, a report in relation to which a Committee left to the decision of that Synod. We therefore advise this Synod to request brother Shults to give an explanation of this matter during the present session of this Synod ; and also that the Secretary of Synod be instructed to transmit fifteen copies of the proceedings of this Synod to our sister Synod in Ohio, as a proof of our friendly disposition towards that Revd. Body.

10. On motion it was resolved to adopt this report, and brother Shults, in compliance with this request, gave satisfactory explanations respecting said mission in Ohio.

11. 2. The Committee report further, that they find, in the proceedings of the Revd. Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Ohio, that they have taken special notice of the Proceedings of this Synod, and published our statistical reports, for the past year, and have instructed their Secretary to transmit twenty copies of their Minutes to this Synod. We therefore recommend to Synod, to pass a resolution to send twenty copies of the Minutes of this Synod to the above mentioned Synod, as an expression of our desire to continue this friendly correspondence.

12. Resolved, That this report be adopted, and that our Secretary be instructed to transmit twenty copies of

the Minutes of the present sessions of Synod to our brethren of the aforementioned Synod of Ohio.

3. In the Minutes of the Revd. Lutheran Synod of Tennessee, your Committee find a resolution instructing their Secretary to send on twenty copies of their Proceedings to this Revd. Body; and your Committee therefore recommend to this Synod the propriety of meeting our brethren in the same friendly spirit, and to transmit 20 copies of our proceedings to said Revd. Body. Your committee finally suggest the propriety of publishing among our Minutes the statistical reports of the different Synods which stand in a friendly relation to this Revd. Body, so far as we have them in our possession.

Signed, F. L. Herman, J. S. Dubbs, Henry Miller.

13. On motion it was resolved, that this report be adopted, and that our Secretary be requested to carry those suggestions into effect.

14. The committee appointed to examine the communication of the Revd. Mr. Dreyer, of York, Penn. beg leave, in discharge of the duty assigned them to make the following report: That we regret exceedingly to learn from brother Dreyer's communication, that efforts are made to suppress his highly useful weekly Paper, and to prevent its circulation, inasmuch as the *Evangelical Newspaper* is the only one of the kind which is in circulation among the German population in our happy country, and all who feel an interest in the cause of religion must at once acknowledge both the necessity and utility of it; therefore be it resolved, that the members of this Synod will use their best endeavors to support said Periodical.

Signed, F. L. Herman, H. Spiësz, C. G. Herman.

15. *Resolved*, That this report be adopted.

16. *Resolved*, That the Synod now adjourn until 2 o'clock.

This session was also concluded with devotional exercises, in which *special prayer* was offered up to a Throne of Grace, in behalf of our young brother the Revd. J. J. Riemensneider.

SESSION 4th, Tuesday afternoon, was opened with a song of praise, and an address to the Father of all mercies.

2. The following motion was made by brother Miller:

Resolved, That it is expedient to carry into effect the resolution of last year, respecting the establishment of a manual labour, or self-supporting seminary of learning, and that we appoint a general agent, who shall be authorized to receive contributions for the same, and report to the Synod when a sufficient amount is subscribed to warrant its success, at which time the Synod shall proceed to appoint a Board of Trustees, and adopt laws for the government of the Institution. After comparing views, by the members of Synod, at length, *on this subject*, it was finally resolved to postpone this resolution indefinitely.

3. *Resolved*, That the Secretary be instructed to transmit ten copies of the Minutes of this Synod, to each of our sister Synods, which stand in friendly correspondence with us; and that he be instructed to transmit ten copies of our proceedings to the General Synod of the German Reformed Church, of the United States, only on condition of his having received official notice, that said Synod have resolved to transmit a similar number of their Minutes to this Synod.

4. The Revd. D. Quenandon made an application to Synod to grant him a candidate's licence; upon which it was reported to Synod that there were certain charges in circulation against him, after which it was resolved to refer the whole of this matter to a committee, consisting of the following members of Synod: Revds. H. Bibighaus, C. G. Herman, F. E. von der Sloot, John P. Helfenstein, Esq. and H. Spiesz.

5. The Revd. William Smidmer made application to be again received into connexion with this Synod, and to be ordained to the gospel ministry during the present session of the same. On motion it was resolved, that the application of brother Smidmer be referred to the following Committee, viz: Revd. J. C. Guldin, Joseph S. Dubbs, and Messrs. Conrad Shearer, Daniel Klapp and John Guth.

6. The Synod now proceeded to appoint Allentown as the place for the next annual meeting of Synod, and the first Sunday in September, 1834, as the time of said meeting, when it is understood, that the members of

Synod are to participate in the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, with the German Reformed congregation of that place.

7. *Resolved*, That the first day of January, 1834, be set apart by this Synod, and recommended to all the congregations in our connexion, as a day of supplication, prayer and thanksgiving unto Jehovah, for the distinguished blessings which He has bestowed upon the congregations and the whole country, especially in preserving our health and granting us prosperity, within the bounds of this Synod during the present year.

8. *Resolved*, That the Synod now adjourn until tomorrow morning, at half past 8 o'clock; which resolution was carried into effect, after singing and prayer to the Great Head of the Church.

The 5th Session, on Wednesday morning, was opened with a song of praise, and calling upon the name of Jehovah, in prayer and supplication.

1. On Tuesday evening, the Revd. L. C. Herman delivered a discourse in the German Reformed Church, from Luke 2, 48, 49; and the Revd. William Smidmer addressed a congregation, at the same hour, in the Lutheran Church, in the English language, from Romans 9, 1, 2.

2. The Committee appointed to examine into the case of Dr. Quenuadon, beg leave to report as follows:—Your Committee, after maturely deliberating on the case of Dr. Quenuadon, report that the evidence before them was not sufficient to form a final decision. Much of the information obtained appeared to be from common fame. We therefore, recommend to Synod, that a Committee be appointed, to meet at no distant day, in Reading, and then and there examine the case, and if it is found on final investigation, that the reports are untrue, it be recommended that a licence be granted to him until next Synod.

Your Committee suggest further, that should Dr. Quenuadon be granted a licence, they recommend his removal from Reading, to some other situation, where his services may be more useful.

Signed, John P. Helfenstein, H. Bibighaus, F. E. von der Sloot, Henry Spiesz, and C. G. Herman.

3. On motion it was resolved to adopt this report; and the Revd. J. S. Dubbs and D. S. Tobias, together with Mr. J. Guth, be said Committee, whose duty it shall be to make report without delay to the President of Synod.

4. The Committee appointed to examine the application of the Revd. William Smidmer report: "That we have fully and conscientiously inquired into the views of the Revd. Mr. Smidmer, on the fundamental doctrines of the Christian religion, and we found him perfectly sound in these. In regard to the subject on account of which his dismissal from Synod was effected last year, we have satisfied our minds, that he does not differ from us in doctrine, but in form only, and in this he believes that there can be no material difference, any more than any one should be at liberty to have his own choice. He further assured your Committee, *that he believes* that the children of believing parents, ought to be baptized; in consequence of which, your Committee feel safe in recommending him to Synod, to be again received as a member, particularly as we know nothing in his life inconsistent with piety. Your Committee are of opinion that a candidate's licence be granted him for one year, rather than ordination, for these two reasons: 1st. Because we believe to ordain him now, would be unconstitutional; and 2d. We think that Synod, in all such cases, should exercise the right of holding such individuals under trial at least for one year."

Signed, J. C. Guldin, J. S. Dubbs, Conrad Shearer, Daniel Klapp, and John Guth.

5. After this report was discussed in Synod at some length, it was resolved to adopt it, and a candidate's licence was accordingly granted to brother Smidmer for one year.

6. *Resolved*, That 600 copies of the Proceedings of this Synod, be printed, 400 in the German, and 200 in the English language.

7. Dr. Quenaudon appeared in Synod, and asked permission to withdraw from connexion with this Synod, without having the charges alleged against him further examined, which request was unanimously granted, and he withdrew.

8. *Resolved*, That the President, in the name of this

the inhabitants of Shaferstown and its vicinity, for the hospitable reception and kind treatment, which they have afforded to the members of Synod, during its present meeting.

9. *Resolved*, That the Revd. A. L. Herman draw \$39 25 out of the Treasury of Synod, to liquidate a debt incurred for printing the Constitution and Minutes of this Synod.

10. The Revd. A. Berkey, Agent of the Sunday School Union, *under the sanction of this Synod*, made the following report : On the 15th of November, I entered upon my mission, as Sunday School Agent, and continued my labours in this interesting cause, without interruption, for about three months, at which time I was called home, on account of sickness and deaths among the members of my family, which prevented me from labouring in this cause, for about three months. After this, the weather was very unfavourable for some time for organizing Sunday Schools, yet I succeeded in establishing several, which are in a flourishing condition, and I made preparations for organizing several Sunday Schools more.

In the month of May, I again commenced the business of my Agency, and laboured in the vicinity of Reading, Hamburg, Orwigsburg and other places. I succeeded in erecting a number of Sunday Schools, and visited others, which had been established, which are in a very prosperous condition, and has dispensed many blessings to the children which composed them ; especially those of Reading and Orwigsburg. Inasmuch, however, as many persons in the sphere of my labours, were much prejudiced against Sunday Schools, it was out of my power to establish many, yet I have the pleasure to inform you, that these prejudices, in many places, are giving way, and a desire for having Sunday Schools erected, is becoming more prevalent. Another great obstacle to my progress in this useful work, arose from the fact, that a number of our ministerial brethren, in those neighbourhoods, refused to lend me their aid and assistance, in consequence of which, I was circumscribed in my labours. Now it is my sincere desire that the members of this Revd. Body may feel a deep interest

direct their labours to the organization of such schools, so that the benign influence of Sunday School instruction may soon be spread, and felt, in all our congregations, and our children be brought up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord here, and be fitted for glory hereafter. May the day soon arrive, when the Holy Sabbath shall be no longer profaned, but when, on each of those sacred days, the voice of thanksgivings and praises shall ascend from the hearts of parents, teachers and children, of Sunday Schools, to the Throne of God, and mingle with the songs of Angels, Arch-Angels, and all the Redeemed from among men, in glory. Signed, A. Berkey.

11. *Resolved*, That this report be adopted.

12. *Resolved*, That the members of this Synod will make it their business to search out those families in their congregations who have not a copy of the Bible, and that they will furnish the same with a copy, before the next meeting of the Synod.

13. *Resolved*. That the licence of brother Miller be renewed for one year.

Resolved, That the Synod now adjourn.

The President now tendered the thanks of Synod in a very feeling and appropriate address, to the large audience present, in fulfilment of the resolution adopted on this subject ; after which the members of Synod, and the congregation prostrated themselves before a Throne of Grace, and united with the President in fervent praises and thanksgivings unto the God of all grace, for presiding over our Sessions of Synod, with his favour, and enabling the brethren to act together with so much unanimity for the furtherance of his honor and glory, and the best interests of that branch of his Zion over which he has constituted them overseers. And now may that God, in whom we live and move and have our being, and for whose pleasure we are and were created, continue his fostering care over us, and the precious souls composing those flocks committed to our care, so that our bodies and spirits may be preserved blameless unto the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen, and again we say amen.

I do certify that the foregoing is in substance a true copy of the proceedings of Synod, as transacted in Shaferstown, in September, 1833.

STATISTICAL REPORTS.

Names of MINISTERS.	Names and places of CONGREGATIONS.	Congregations.	Baptized.	Confirmed.	Communion.	Deaths.	Schools.
F. L. Herman,	Swamp in New-Hanover, Pottstown,* in Pottsgrove township, Montgomery county, Boyer's in Colebrookdale, Hill in Earl, Amity in Amity township, Berks county.	4	50	65	376		4
C. C. Herman,	Cootstown,* Delong and Zion in Maxatawny, Hereford in Hereford, Peter's in Richmond, Dunkel's in Greenwich, and Frieden's in Oley, all in Berks county.	1	52	73	807	36	11
J. C. Guldin,	Vincent* in Vincent, Neyer in East Nantmeal, Braunbach's in Coventry township, Chester county, Trapp in Upper-Providence, Montgomery co. Allegheny in Crumru, Berks county, and Centre, in Caernarvon township, Lancaster county.		75	52			1
T. H. Leinbach,	Tulpehocken, near Meyerstown,* Shaferstown, St. Jacobs, in Lebanon county, Reamstown and Swamp, in Lancaster county, Northkill, Mueblbach, in Berks county.	7	213	125	852	67	7
J. S. Dubbs,	Allentown,* Egypt, Jordan and Union, all in Lehigh county.	4	121	98	1040	39	
A. L. Herman,	All near Reading,* in Berks county,	8	275	90	540	40	11
H. Bibighaus,	Salem's in Philadelphia,* and Frankfort, in Frankfort.	2	168	17	543	65	1
J. Stiehly,	No report.	7	192	24	312	33	7
S. Seibert,	Bloomsburg,* Columbia county.		31	23	130	2	3
D. S. Tobias,	No report.						
J. Althaus,	No report.						
R. T. Herman,	No report.						
A. Shafer,	No report.						
A. Berkey,	No report.						
C. W. Shults,	No report.						
G. Mills,	No report.						
G. Eppert,	No report.						
F. W. von der Sloot,	York,* Stehly's, in York county.	1	30		58	7	
F. E. von der Sloot,	Dillstown,* Mechanicsburg, Feily's, Petersburg, Berns and Churchtown, in Cumberland county.	3	257	57	611	57	
J. S. Ebaugh,	Zion's in Carlisle,* Salem's in Frankfort township, Sulphur Springs, in North Middleton township, Ege's Springs, in South Middleton township, Cumberland county.	4	75	6	420	20	4
		2	42			15	
L. C. Herman,	Pottstown.*						
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